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WARSAW, Dec. 16 (By the Associated Press).—Gabriel Narutowicz, president of Poland, was assassinated today.

M. Narutowicz was killed while visiting an art exhibition.

The assassination occurred exactly at noon. The president was shot, dying a few moments later.

M. Narutowicz was killed by an artist named Niewiadomski, who fired three shots. Every shot took effect.

There have been continuous disorders ever since President Narutowicz was elected by the national assembly, one week ago to-day. At that occasion there was tumultuous clamor growing out of his unexpected choice to succeed General Pilsudski, the battle between the rival factions and the police resulting in four deaths and the injury of more than 100 persons.

President Narutowicz took over the supreme executive authority from Marshal Pilsudski only two days ago, the ceremony occurring at noon at the Belvedere palace, the official home of the president.

The opposition to the choice of M. Narutowicz as president, came mainly from the nationalists, representing the purely Polish population, the members of his party resenting the election of a man who they declared represented the non-Polish and radical elements.

The nationalist deputies after the election announced officially that they would refuse to support M. Narutowicz or any cabinet appointment by him. They asserted he was elected by the votes of the Jews, Ukrainians, Germans and Russians, receiving only 186 Polish votes, while 227 Polish votes were cast for Count Zamoyski.

Under the constitution, the speaker of the House, Maciej Rataj, will act as president and is required at once to convene the national assembly to choose a new chief executive.

M. Rataj was elected speaker a week ago, and is a prominent member of the party supporting former Premier Witos.

Gabriel Narutowicz was born in 1865 at Telaz, which is now within the borders of Lithuania and was educated at Lihau, the technical institution of Petrograd and the polytechnic institute at Zurich.

He was a member of the Polish government in June, 1920, as minister of public works under Premier Grabski and was appointed to this office by Premier Poinkowski. When elected president he was the minister of foreign affairs, which important post he held both under Premiers Sliwinski and Nowak. He was Poland's second delegate to the Genoa conference.

TWO FREIGHTERS COLLIDED.

Neither Seriously Damaged But One Sprang a Leak.

New York, Dec. 16.—Two British freighters—the Bristol City, outward bound, and the Janeta, inbound—collided off Star Island today, but neither was seriously damaged. The Bristol was injured on the port side and sprang a leak. She was taken to drydock. The Janeta from Havana, Spain, loaded with iron pyrites was towed to her pier.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Bert Potter of Plainfield was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

The Barre Outing club announces that the following committee will take complete charge of the toboggan chutes this winter: H. A. Kendall, William Clark, Arthur Blackmore, Charles Zanolini and H. P. Hinman. The committee has its eyes open for a chance to put the chute into full swing at the earliest possible chance.

Cards have been received in the city announcing the marriage of Charles Wendell Lundgren, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lundgren of Barre, to Miss Laura May Gross of Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 30. Mr. and Mrs. Lundgren will reside at Salisbury.

Spaulding high school went down to defeat at the hands of the Waterbury high school team at Waterbury last evening by a score of 48 to 28. The Barre team played a hard game but being much sicker and less experienced than the Waterbury team, which remained intact from last year, had no chance to defeat its opponent.

NEARLY TWO DAYS TO TRY COLLAR BUTTON CASE

And Then a Mattapan Man Was
Acquitted in Five
Minutes.

Boston, Dec. 16.—Hod carriers have little use for collar buttons, former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell argued in Suffolk county court in defense of Luigi Carere of the Mattapan district, who pursues that trade and was charged with shoplifting 10 collar buttons valued at four cents each. After the greater part of two days had been consumed in trying the case, Carere was acquitted by the jury in five minutes' deliberation.

VIRGINIAN OUSTED.

Representative Thomas W. Harrison's
Election Was Irregular.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Representative Thomas W. Harrison, Democrat, of the seventh Virginia district, was ousted yesterday from the House on the ground of irregularities in the 1922 election in his district.

After ousting Harrison by a vote of 202 to 100, the House seated John Paul, Republican contestant, who will serve until March 4.

In a parting shot at his Republican foes, Representative Harrison charged in his state of the Republic party in his state was based on patronage and then proceeded to read letters which he declared "proved incontrovertibly" that patronage had been sold there.

Amid the utmost confusion in the chamber, Mr. Harrison declared that Representative C. Bascomb Slemo, of the 9th Virginia district, and Republican national committee member, was the dispenser of all patronage. Then, holding aloft a handful of letters and cancelled checks, Mr. Harrison exclaimed:

"The people of the country do not altogether understand Virginia Republican politics. It is a pure matter of patronage, and a question of how they can feed at the public trough. Why, I have been hearing all over the district of matters about the sale of patronage. I have been hearing that officials were sold for what money there was in them, and I have right here the incontrovertible proof that that is the condition we have been facing in Virginia."

Mr. Harrison asserted that "The head of the whole business is the distinguished member from the 9th Virginia district."

"He is the dispenser of all patronage," he added. "He is the man who has to give his endorsement to anybody that applied not only in my own state but also, as I understand, in other states."

"I picked up a few checks—checks, gentlemen, by the bushel. They are endorsed, some of them by Mr. Slemo and some of them by Mr. Howard, as his secretary."

Mr. Slemo, interrupting, demanded the date, and Mr. Harrison replied that they seemed to run over a year, from December, 1920 to January, 1922. The checks were not read into the record.

Mr. Harrison said most of them were drawn to Mr. Slemo and Mr. Howard and signed by B. R. Powell, who he later described in answer to questions from the floor, as a patronage referee. Most of the amounts were under \$100, he said, and several went to the Republican committee.

While he made no reply in the House Mr. Slemo, at a statement last night, said that neither Powell nor anybody else had been authorized to connect collection of money for the party organization with the promise of office and if this had been done it was without his knowledge or approval.

The first of the letters read by Mr. Harrison purported to have been written to Mr. Slemo by Powell in answer to letters "in regard to the collection of money for postoffice."

"One must be very careful about this," the letter said. "It will bring the party into disrepute, which would be bad for everyone. We must preserve our stand with the people and the administration."

It was at the heels of Mr. Harrison's speech, which Republicans described as an effort to attack Mr. Slemo, that the House shut off debate and voted to declare his seat vacant. With this done it voted to seat John Paul, Republican contestant, who was immediately sworn in to serve until March 4. Mr. Harrison was elected in November, and will return to his old seat in the new Congress.

"FLU" HITS VESSELS IN BOSTON NAVY YARD

There Are 30 Cases on Battleship Florida Which Has Been in Port Several Months.

Boston, Dec. 16.—A mild epidemic of influenza on the battleship Florida has spread to other vessels at the Boston navy yard, it became known today. Thirty cases are listed on the Florida, of which 16 were sent to the naval hospital at Chelsea. The Florida has been at the yard for several months.

MASSACHUSETTS DEER KILL.

Totals 1249, Increase of 417 Over Last Year.

Boston, Dec. 16.—Complete reports received by the fish and game commission show that 1249 deer were killed in Massachusetts during the one week season this month. Of the total 526 were bucks and 626 does. The increase over last year was 417.

The greatest number of kills were in Worcester, Franklin and Berkshire counties. No hunting accidents were reported.

HOUSE FAVORS LIMITATION

Almost Unanimous Vote to
Have President
Negotiate

WITH NATIONS
ON WARSHIPS

Propose to Limit Construc-
tion of Craft of 10,000
Tons or Less

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—By a vote of 251 to 9, the House today adopted a resolution making in order a provision in the naval supply bill requesting the president to negotiate with foreign powers relative to limiting the construction of war craft of 10,000 tons or less.

By this action the provision itself remained in the bill, secure from elimination on a point of order as unauthorized legislation and insuring that the whole question will be passed upon finally by the House. It probably will be reached late today or Monday.

BIG REGISTRATION RUSH.

Numbers from 100 to 828 Given Out on First Day.

New automobile registration plates had been assigned from 100 to 828 at the close of the first day of registration yesterday. Plates were shipped out numbering up to 466 and others were given out over the counter. The plates are being mailed in new kind of envelopes, with a pocket on the front in which the car registration certificate and operator's license are slipped, the name and address showing through a window in the front of the pocket. This system saves the fags which have been rearranged in the secretary of state's automobile office so that applications will go down the line in order, expediting the service. The issuing of the plates in order of receipt of application is of great assistance in giving service to the general public in issuing their plates rapidly, according to C. T. Pierce, chief clerk.

TALK OF THE TOWN

H. F. Battey of Woodsville, N. H., was a visitor in the city today.

Miss Gracelyn Robinson left this morning for Middlebury to pass a few days.

Charles Magee of 9 Kirk street underwent an operation at the City hospital today.

Mrs. Francis Ahearn returned to the city yesterday from Hyde Park, where she has been for a time.

Mrs. Nellie Wheeler of Boston is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Wheeler of Allen street.

Harry White has removed his family from 6 Mount Vernon place to a house on Webster avenue.

Harold Wescott arrived in the city today from Lewiston, Me., to pass the Christmas vacation from school.

Adolphus Goyno, who has been a patient at the City hospital for the past two weeks, returned to his home over Merchants street today.

Miss Beatrice Manning of Spaulding high school faculty left this morning for her home in Syracuse, N. Y., to pass the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Ethel V. Inglis, a nurse at the Massachusetts General hospital, Boston, is spending a three weeks' vacation with her mother, Mrs. Annie Inglis, of Clark street.

The community Christmas tree, which has been erected in the city park by the Board of Trade, was lighted last evening for the first time and will be lighted every night until after Christmas day. One hundred colored lights of red, green and blue with a gilded star at the topmost point made an impressive and pretty sight. The tree is a spruce, 25 feet in height, purchased from Mario Zanolini and raised by the fire department, assisted by L. M. Newton of the telephone company. The lights and fixtures were purchased by the Board of Trade and will be kept for future use by the organization.

The total cost of the tree, including wiring and electricity will be in the neighborhood of \$75, according to Secretary Bradley's estimate today.

The long distance traveling record for a piece of granite was established today when the Granite Manufacturers' association officers were in receipt of a sample which traveled slightly over 7,000 miles from Japan to this city at a cost of 55 sen, a sen being equal to a cent in our currency. The sample has a high polish on one side, with the back and two ends ironed and the other ends hammered. The nearest approach in the way of an American stone to this granite is the Bethel white stone, but at that the Japanese product is a great deal coarser.

The sample will be added to the association's collection of American and foreign granite and it was through the courtesy of S. Nabeshima, a young granite manufacturer, who visited here last summer, that the sample was secured. This particular brand of stone is called "Island" granite as the quarries, pictures of which were received some time ago, are located in a town by that name, which is the main office of the company, which is the Nabeshima, Sakai, Katsuta, Ltd., are located in Tokyo.

FIGHTS LODGE IN WASHINGTON

Defeated Prohibition Can-
didate Issues "Protest
and Challenge"

DIRECTED TO
VICE-PRES. COOLIDGE

"Flagrant Irregularities"
in the Election
Charged

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—The proceedings begun in Massachusetts challenging the re-election to the Senate of Henry Cabot Lodge, the Republican leader, today were transferred to the Senate itself.

A protest and challenge against the election of Senator Lodge was received by Vice-President Coolidge from Conrad W. Crocker, attorney for John A. Nicholls, defeated prohibition candidate, and representative of the liberal Republican league of Massachusetts.

"Flagrant irregularities" in the Nov. 7 senatorial election were charged in Mr. Crocker's petition, which declared Senator Lodge was a "minority" winner and had been "reputedly" Mr. Crocker asked for an immediate hearing.

The papers are to be referred to the Senate privileges and elections committee, which Senator Dillingham, Republican, Vermont, is chairman. It is not customary for the committee or the Senate to take action on election contests until the convening of the new Congress which they affect, and Senate leaders indicated today that despite the request for immediate action the Crocker proceedings would lie dormant until March 4.

Reports that Vice-President Coolidge might make a preliminary reference of his petition to Senators Lodge and Walsh, in accordance with a Senate custom, today led Mr. Crocker to send Vice-President Coolidge another protest against any such move. He declared that impropriety of referring his papers to Senator Lodge was "obvious."

Mr. Crocker's statement said that the liberal Republican league represented more than 100,000 Massachusetts Republicans. He added that his protest against the validity of Mr. Lodge's re-election was justified by "abundant evidence" and also by "the overwhelming demonstration of Massachusetts public sentiment at the polls in the recent elections."

"Massachusetts has repudiated Lodge and all the reactionary obstruction that he stands for," the statement said.

The total vote for senator was 867-157, it was declared, and Senator Lodge received on the face of returns 414,130 and was thus a "minority candidate." It was added that no two tabulations of the vote agree.

"Flagrant irregularities in the conduct of the election occurred all over the state," Mr. Crocker said, "and the result, as tabulated by the governor and council as the basis for the issuance of a certificate of election to the Lodge, is a result that cannot be accepted or recognized as representative of a legal or final result. We are satisfied on all the information that has come into our possession since the election that Lodge was legally elected, and I am here to obtain an immediate opportunity to prove it."

Mr. Crocker said his fight was not in behalf of William A. Gaston, who was the Democratic candidate, and was not a partisan move, but was designed to "unseat the man who has accomplished more harm as an obstructor of world peace and the natural expression of liberal thought than any man since Nero."

"More than that," he continued, "the practices by which Lodge has maintained his power in Massachusetts are as venal and menacing as anything that Platt, Penrose or Quay ever attempted."

Mr. Crocker added that he realized the administration would fight to "retain its principal senatorial prop" but he said Lodge was beaten at home and his "machine is a shattered wreck."

It is understood that the liberal league has served notice on Massachusetts election officials to preserve the ballots for use in the Senate contest.

Senator Lodge refrained from comment on the contest petition. His friends said he did not regard the move as important.

YOUNG MAN GAVE ALIBI TO POLICE

When Detained in Connection With
Murder of George A. Willis
in Boston.

Boston, Dec. 16.—The police today detained a young man giving his name as James Gray of this city and questioned him with regard to the murder and robbery yesterday of George A. Willis, superintendent of messengers of the Boston News bureau. Officials said later, however, that Gray had established that at the time of the shooting he was in another part of the city.

STOCK DIVIDEND

To Be Taken from Surplus of Salisbury Bros. Co.

The Salisbury Bros. Furniture company of Randolph has filed with the secretary of state an affidavit of proposed issue of 600 shares of stock as a stock dividend from the surplus, at \$100 per value each. The same company has filed an amendment to its articles of association, raising the authorized capital stock from \$50,000 to \$110,000, the amount of common stock being raised from \$30,000 to \$60,000.

The Ward Motor Sales company, Inc. of Burlington has filed an affidavit of the proposed issue of 540 shares of stock at a par value of \$100 per share.

CROP VALUES UP FROM LAST YEAR

Worth Nearly Two Billion More Than
Last Year's Crops, Reflecting Im-
provement in Farm Conditions.

Washington, Dec. 16 (By the Associated Press).—The nation's crops this year are worth \$7,572,890,000, based on their farm values of Dec. 1, the department of agriculture announced yesterday in its final report of the year.

Their value is \$1,842,978,000 more than last year's crops, reflecting improvement in prices for farm products prevailing now as compared with a year ago and increased production in some crops. This year's farm production is worth about the same as that of 1916 but is lower than 1920 by about \$1,500,000,000 and lower than any year since 1915, except last year. It is only a little more than half as much as the record value year of 1919.

Record production was made this year in rye, white potatoes, sweet potatoes and hay. Other bumper crops this year were rice, with the third largest production; tobacco, with the fourth largest crop in history; wheat, with the fifth largest production; and corn, with its seventh largest crop; cotton this year is the fourth most valuable crop of that staple ever grown although a small crop in point of production.

Corn, as usual, is the country's most valuable crop, being worth this year \$2,000,000,000 more than last year, with a total value of \$1,800,257,000. Cotton stands second with \$1,358,517,000, the lint being valued at \$1,190,761,000 and the cotton seed \$177,756,000. Hay is the third valuable crop with a total of \$1,331,679,000. No other crop reached a billion dollars in value this year. Wheat was valued at \$864,139,000, standing fourth most valuable crop of the country.

In today's final estimates, based on revisions to conform with the census bureau's decennial crop production statistics the preliminary estimates of production announced last month were somewhat changed. There was a reduction in the corn crop of about 6,000,000 bushels. Increases were shown for other crops, including: Winter wheat, 45,000,000 bushels; spring wheat, 1,700,000 bushels; oats, 14,273,000 bushels; rye, 15,874,000 bushels; buckwheat, 1,407,000 bushels; rice, 2,809,000 bushels; potatoes, 17,280,000 bushels, and hay, 4,035,000 tons.

KELLER AGAIN DEFIED JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Keller's Counsel Announced He Had
Advised His Client Against
Appearing.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Representative Keller, Republican, Minnesota, failed again today to appear before the House judiciary committee to give evidence under oath as to the information on which he based his impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

Keller's counsel, Jackson H. Raiston, announced he had advised his client that the committee had exceeded its authority and that he was not required to appear in response to the committee summons.

Chairman Volstead said that the subpoena served on Mr. Keller had been signed by the speaker of the House and that in ordering the appearance of the Minnesota representative the committee had acted for the House. He added that the committee could now report Mr. Keller back to the House for contempt.

RESISTS BANKRUPTCY.

Vermont Milk Chocolate Co. Case Is
Heard in Burlington.

Burlington, Dec. 16.—A hearing was held before Judge Harland B. Howe of United States court yesterday on the petition of objecting creditors in the bankruptcy case against the Vermont Milk Chocolate company of this city that the petition be dismissed.

The hearing was not completed. Moors & Cabot of Boston and the Massachusetts Chocolate company asked that the petition be dismissed because it did not state facts sufficient in law to constitute bankruptcy and that it appears on the face of the petition that it is without jurisdiction to grant relief prayed for, also that the petition is wholly without equity and that the petitioners have not shown themselves entitled to the relief.

INCIDENT REGRETTED BY NAVY DEPARTMENT

Measures Taken to Prevent Disorderly
Conduct at Navy-Army Game Should
Have Been Sufficient.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—The incident at the midshipmen's ball at Philadelphia after the army-navy game, which prompted Secretary Denby to order an official investigation, apparently was closed by the navy department today with publication of the findings of the investigation board and the department's conclusions, holding that while in the light of previous experience the measures adopted to prevent disorderly conduct should have been sufficient, "it is to be regretted if the steps taken did not meet the required end."

MONTPELIER

In probate court H. G. Woodruff has settled his final account as administrator of the estate of Albert W. Ferrin, late of Montpelier. F. L. Tognesand has been appointed administrator of the estate of Olive Townsend late of Plainfield.

H. J. Curtis of this city has received word of the death in San Francisco, Dec. 7, of Charles W. Willard, son of the late Charles W. and Emily D. Willard of Montpelier, at the age of 54.

Dean Votey of the University of Vermont college of engineering was a visitor in the city yesterday.

R. L. Menard of Montpelier has reported to the secretary of state that while driving an automobile belonging to the Vermont Oil Heating company recently in New London, N. H. he tipped over, doing \$12 damage to the car.

BLOOD SPILLED ALL OVER HOUSE

In Murder, Brutal Beating
and Then Suicide at
Providence

THOMAS KELLY
BECAME CRAZY

Killed Brother-in-law and
Beat Up Lillian B. Jones
—With Gaspipe

Providence, R. I., Dec. 16.—Grieving over the death of his sister is ascribed by the police to the sudden mental unbalancing of Thomas Kelly, 36, and his slaying his brother-in-law, Thomas F. Jones, 64, brutally beating his niece, Lillian B. Jones, 32, and then killing himself soon after 6:10 o'clock this morning.

Kelly, according to the police report of the murder, suicide and assault, ran amuck with a two-foot piece of gas pipe, attacking Jones and his daughter-in-law while they were at the breakfast table. When Sergeant William H. Delaney, called to the terror-stricken neighborhood by a telephone alarm at 6:15, entered the house he found panic-stricken occupants seeking refuge on the first floor, the body of Jones in the living room and that of Kelly in the kitchen, second floor, while furniture on the third floor had been wrecked by the insane man and thrown into the street.

The body of Jones was so badly mutilated that it was impossible to tell until an autopsy is performed whether his death was due to being beaten with the gas pipe or to revolver shots. Kelly fired three shots after the injured Mrs. Jones had fled below stairs. One bullet wound was found in the center of Kelly's forehead which doctors said would have caused instant death.

Mrs. Jones said she regained consciousness to find her father-in-law groaning and bleeding on the floor but was unable to help him and fled. A few seconds later three more shots were heard. Then the police sergeant came and found the two men dead.

ST. ALBANS STORES ROBBED.

Cigars, Tobacco and Money Were
Stolen.

St. Albans, Dec. 16.—The grocery stores of M. F. Sullivan and Edmund Charbonneau on Lake street were broken into Thursday night and a quantity of cigars and tobacco taken from each. The cash register was also taken from the Sullivan store and looted of its contents consisting of \$7.71. The register was then left outside near the door where it was discovered Friday morning.

Entrance into both stores was made through the front door. In the Sullivan store the plate glass in the door was broken and the door was opened from the inside. At the Charbonneau place one of the panes of glass in the door was broken and the thief entered through the aperture.

This is the third time the Charbonneau store has been broken into during the past few months.

Chief of Police J. F. Mahoney received a call from the farm of State Commissioner of Agriculture Elbert S. Brigham on the Brigham road Friday morning. When one of the farm laborers entered the cow barn at 5 o'clock he noticed a man near the barn door. He tried to hold the intruder but while wrestling with him another man appeared and threw a milk bottle at him. He missed and both men escaped.

DANVILLE JOB AWARDED.

Goes to A. V. Lee Construction Co. of
Thomaston, Conn.

At the recent meeting of the state highway board held in Rutland, the Danville federal aid job was awarded to A. V. Lee Construction company of Thomaston, Conn., and the Highgate job to Atwood Thomas of Middlebury, Mass., the lowest bidders in each case.

The resignation of Clarence M. Brooks as deputy state highway commissioner was accepted. The board will decide whether or not the office shall be continued. Commissioner T. W. Dix states, but in his opinion, it will not be continued. The purpose of the board's hiring Mr. Brooks, he states, was to assist the commissioner in supervision.

ABARE-NICHOLS.

Marriage Took Place at St. Monica's
Church.

A quiet wedding took place at St. Monica's Catholic church this morning at 10 o'clock, when Miss Florence Nichols, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nichols of Elmore street, was united in marriage to Wilfred Abare of this city by Rev. P. M. McKenna. The couple were attended by Miss Kathryn Nichols and Estel Nichols, sister and brother of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Abare will leave on the midnight train for Montreal, and on their return will reside at 4 Elmore street.

OVER 1200 CLAIMS.

Have Been Paid by State Highway Department.

Slightly over 1200 claims from towns have been received and paid by the state highway department to date. This is over two thirds of the total claims for the year for five per cent money. State aid, resurfacing, and street road improvement, and bridges. It is expected that by the first of the year, settlement will be made on about all of the claims, which will be an unusual situation in the department, as formerly claims have not been settled up until about Feb. 1.

BETHEL

A father-and-son banquet was held at Harrington parlors last evening, at which 67 men or boys sat down. The Universalist ladies provided an excellent menu. Rev. Albert B. Christy was in charge of the post prandial exercises. There were responses from fathers by Rev. W. C. Harvey, J. H. Beckwith, John J. Wilson and H. G. Allen and from sons by J. Lawrence Kimball, Daniel Wilson and H. G. Allen, Jr. Ernest L. Rand of Burlington, who is one of the state probation officers, gave a strong address.

The town basketball team met defeat at White River Junction Thursday evening by a score of 63 to 17.

KHORASSAN KNIGHTS MET IN BARRE

Good Attendance of Members and In-
teresting Meeting
Was Held.

The annual meeting and election of officers of Suadah temple, No. 140, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorrassan, was held in the Knights of Pythias rooms last evening. A good attendance of members, a number of city and surrounding towns sat down to supper served in the banquet rooms at 8 o'clock.

Following this the business meeting was held. Reports for the year were very gratifying and showed that the order was in a flourishing condition. One matter which impressed the members very deeply was the announcement that by the will of the late Mrs. Martha J. Reed of Montpelier, the sum of \$300 was given to the temple, to remain in trust as a memorial to her son, the late Carl D. Reed, who was a member of Montpelier lodge, No. 3, Knights of Pythias, and of the D. O. K. K. K. A like sum was also given to Montpelier lodge.

The newly elected officers are: Royal vizier, Frank E. Robinson of Barre; grand emir, W. H. Brent of Sherbrooke, P. Q.; sheik, Frank O. Lee of Barre; mahedi, Robert B. Mackie of Barre; treasurer, James Lewis, Jr., of Barre; secretary, C. M. Willey of Barre; assistant secretary, William A. McLeod of Barre; satrap, Bert Brown of Montpelier; shahib, A. W. Blake of Marshfield; trustee for three years, H. C. Ladd of Barre. The newly elected divan have pledged themselves to a year of activity and greater progress is anticipated.

Following this Ralph L. Sherwin of St. Albans, a member of Paul Dillingham lodge of Waterbury, became acquainted with the mysteries of the order in his travel across the hot sands.